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Manufacturing Month in Lake County *Set Manufacturing Roundtable Summit for October 26th*

(PAINESVILLE, OH) – The Lake County Commissioners declared October “Manufacturing Month” in Lake County to recognize the important contribution of manufacturers to the economy of Northeastern Ohio. The Commissioners welcomed several members of the board of the Alliance for Working Together (AWT), an organization of local manufacturers assembled to ensure the future of the manufacturing industry through exposure and education to those in grade school through college, to the Commissioner’s meeting on Tuesday, October 13th and presented a resolution acknowledging this essential backbone of Lake County’s economy.

“Manufacturing is a critical component of Lake County’s economic health. There are approximately 650 manufacturing companies in the County, and the county government is committed to ensuring that the proper public infrastructure, utility services, and workforce development programs are in place to support their success and growth,” stated Commissioners Board President, Daniel P. Troy.

“There is always a need for good workers at many of these manufacturing firms. These are good paying jobs, and we must encourage our young people to develop the necessary skills and work habits to fill them,” said Commissioner Judy Moran.

“Lake County is home to numerous world renowned manufacturers which represent the economic backbone of our region, employing thousands of Lake County residents and contributing daily to the vitality of our economy and the economic health of our community,” said Commissioner Kevin D. Malecek, sponsor of the resolution. “Over 600,000 Ohioans are employed in manufacturing, nearly 13 percent of Ohio’s total employment and nearly 20 percent of employment in Lake County, Ohio – it is essential that we recognize their accomplishments.”

In addition to the resolution and recognition, the Commissioners will join with the Mayors and Managers Association of Lake County to host a Manufacturing Roundtable Summit on October 26th as a component of the Mayors and Managers monthly meeting. The summit is directed towards building relationships between local officials and manufacturing representatives to ensure a constant flow of communication between the groups as future developments warrant. The Alliance for Working Together (AWT) is also a partner in this effort, coordinating the attendance and organization of manufacturers at the Summit.